

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

Dear Mr. Powell and Staff at FCC.

The ownership rules currently in effect are the result of a sound democracy at work. The regulations limiting crossownership of various types of media ensure that many diverse viewpoints are aired, written or read. Loosening of these rules benefits only big, well moneyed media and will undermine our hard won democracy by concentrating more media outlets into fewer and fewer hands. The result? A constttttriction of public debate with many views on current issues marginalised. Please slow down the review process. Encourage a true public debate on the matter at hand. Please remember that the market and democracy are two different institutions. There's room for both but democracy is what protects the public and our venerated American institutions of free speech and democracy. Please keep these regulations intact. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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